

INTERURBAN MOTORMAN BADLY HURT IN COLLISION

COLDEST DAY OF WINTER IN DIXON SUNDAY

Mercury Dropped to 25 Below Zero on Sun- day Morning

Dixon, Lee county and the entire midwest shivered in the coldest weather of the winter Sunday, the cold winds from the northwest, which started their onslaught on this section Saturday, continuing through Sunday night and driving the mercury down to 25 degrees below zero by Sunday morning.

And while there was moderation during the Sabbath it was bitterly cold the entire day, the highest point reached by the thermometer during the day being 2 degrees below.

At 7 o'clock this morning it was 4 degrees below, but moderated winds during the day brought some relief and the weather man predicts further moderation from the third cold wave of the season this evening and Tuesday, with probable snow in this section.

RELAXATION PROMISED

Chicago, Dec. 29.—(By The Associated Press)—Gradual relaxation from the frigidly which tumbled temperatures to low records for 25 years over much of the country was foretold for today and tomorrow.

After receding to minus 13, the second coldest night in a quarter century, thermometers at Chicago had climbed to plus 5 early today. Fair weather, however, east of the Mississippi was forecast for today with the steadily rising temperatures to bring snow in the northern, rain or snow in the middle and rain in the southern sections tomorrow, however.

A dozen deaths were added to the winter toll, six in Chicago, three in Portland and one each in Tacoma, Reno and Indianapolis.

Humboldt, Iowa, reported the lowest temperature in the United States yesterday, 50 below.

In Illinois, Harrisburg, with eleven below zero, had its coldest weather in 21 years; Bloomington with minus 20 its coldest in 25 years and Peoria reported 24 below. Indiana had readings of from ten below to 22 below over the state.

For the first time in years, an ice jam was reported in Niagara river below the falls this early in the winter.

In Lake Michigan, the steamer W. A. Benson carrying sixty passengers was caught in the ice off Holland, Mich. The car ferry Pere Marquette, number 19, was fast aground off Grand Haven, Michigan, with 42 passengers.

30 BELOW AT PEKIN

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Peoria, Ill., Dec. 29.—A temperature of 30 degrees below zero was recorded at Pekin, Illinois for three hours yesterday morning. A temperature of 24 below here for two hours was the coldest for any December day in seventy years and the coldest for any day in twenty-four years here according to the Weather Bureau. The mercury failed to rise above zero all day.

To Conclude Hearings on P. O. Bill This Week

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Washington, Dec. 29.—The joint postoffice sub-committee of the Senate and House pressed forward today with its hearings on the administration postal rate increase bill with the purpose of bringing them to a conclusion early in the week. It is the aim of administration leaders to wind up the hearings with a view to presentation of a report to the Senate committee in time for the reporting of the bill to the Senate before President Coolidge's veto of the postal salary increase bill is taken up by that body under an unanimous consent early next week.

Salesmen of Two Big Firms to Meet in Dixon

Several salesmen of the Durand-McNeil & Horner grocery company will meet in Dixon Saturday afternoon and evening at a special meeting to be held at the Nachusa Tavern. Many of the officers of the company will be present at this, the second meeting of its kind to be held in Dixon in the past six months. Dixon has been selected because of its location as a trade center and salesmen within a radius of 100 miles will be in attendance. A banquet which will be followed by a general discussion on relating to trade relations will be features of the meeting.

Weeks Approves Plan to Reward World Fliers

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Washington, Dec. 29.—Secretary Weeks approved today a plan for reward of the army fliers who would advance Captain L. H. Smith 1,000 fliers on the promotion list and Lieuts. Wade, Nelson and Arnold 500 fliers each.

Dixon May Lose Community Nurse

CITIZENS ARE ASKED TO GET BEHIND ASSN.

Some Have Failed to Keep Pledges to Association.

(By Chamber of Commerce)

The future of the community nurse and her usefulness in the community depends entirely on the spirit shown by the citizens of Dixon. The Red Cross Community Nurse Association has been struggling along for the past few months, striving hard to make the citizens of Dixon realize the value of the community nurse and that it is up to them as to whether the association is continued. It has now reached the point when the citizens must respond if Dixon is to have a community nurse after the first of the year.

The citizens of Dixon have always responded to all worthy causes, never have they failed to see that the various drives have gone over the top. During the war Dixon was noted all over the country for the spirit that was shown by the citizens in over-subscribing every drive that was made. Even the local drivers that have been made have always met with hearty response and the citizens of Dixon must realize that at this time that they must come forward, if the community nurse association continues to operate.

Many Fail Promises

When the community nurse association was organized a few years ago a large number of the citizens signed as members of the association, agreeing to pay various amounts towards supporting the community nurse. Some have failed to keep their agreement, and no doubt in a great many cases it has simply been an oversight and after reading this article they will send in their checks at once.

A few weeks ago Mrs. John Ralston and Mrs. Douglas Harvey gave a wonderful concert for the benefit of the community nurse and raised enough money to pay all the debts of the community nurse association up to the first of December. Miss Valle, the community nurse, had worked for months not knowing when she would receive her salary. She is continuing her good work in the community, not knowing if she is to receive her salary on the first of the month. The ladies of the Community Nurses Association Committee have devoted considerable time and hard work in trying to keep the association going. They deserve a great deal of credit for the splendid manner in which the association has been handled, but no committee or group can continue to run an association of this kind without the cooperation and help of all the citizens. The association appeals to every man, woman and child in the city of Dixon to aid them at this time. Donations may be sent to Mrs. Wm. A. Rhodes, Miss Caroline Pratt, Mrs. Harry A. Rice, Mrs. W. C. Durlas or to the Dixon Chamber of Commerce.

Is Need For Nurse

At this time of the year there is a need for the community nurse. With the cold weather and the suffering from sickness, it is of vital importance that some one should respond to all the calls that are coming in daily. Citizens should understand and that the community nurse is not only for those who cannot afford to hire a nurse, but also for those who can afford to pay. The nurse answers any calls that come up to her and in cases where the people can afford to pay a small fee, they are at liberty to do so. There are a great many cases where people only need a nurse to change bandages, dressings, etc. once a day, and in cases of this kind, the community nurse answers calls and charges a small fee. The citizens that need a nurse for only a short time can assist the association on a great deal by calling the community nurse and paying the small fee, as the fee goes direct to the community nurse fund.

It is now up to the citizens of Dixon as to whether the community nurse association shall be continued. As a citizen of Dixon, you are asked to respond and do your part in the community.

Robbers Started Fire; Nine Buildings Gone

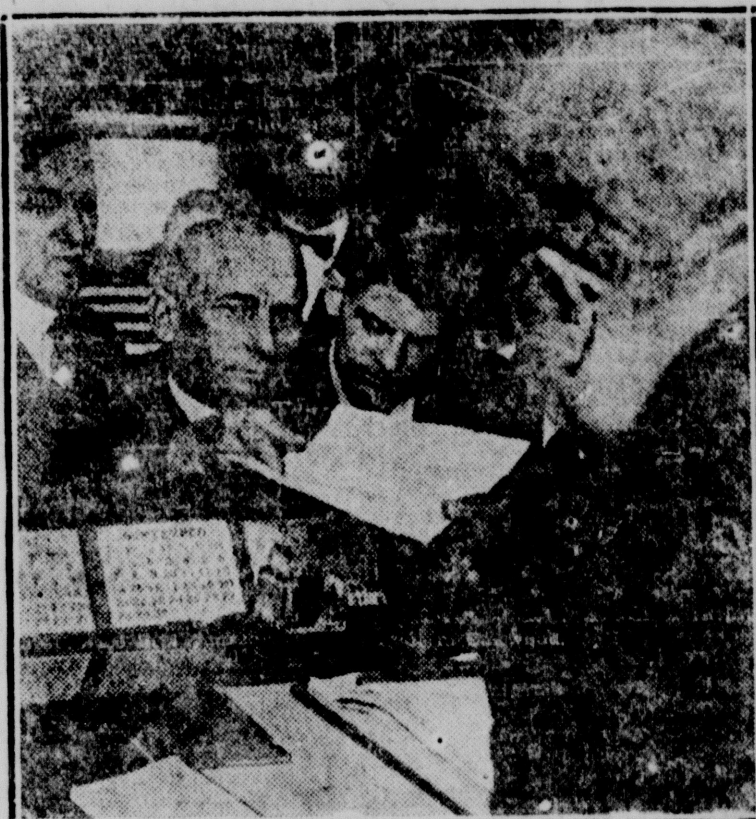
By Associated Press Leased Wire
Denison, Tex., Dec. 29.—Fire, believed to have been started by robbers, destroyed nine business buildings at Potosi, eight miles west of here early today, with an estimated loss of about \$150,000. Overturned safes in some of the burned structures, indicated they had been looted.

The robbery and fire resembled the work of men who recently looted banks and business houses at Valley View and Paradise, Texas. In each instance the business sections of the little towns were set afire late at night after safes had been blown. Property loss from fire was made much greater than valuables stolen. None of the robbers have been arrested.

PRINCIPALS IN McCLINTOCK DEATH PROBE

ORDER EXHUMING OF BODY

BODY IS DISINTERRED



Here is Chief Justice Hopkins of the criminal court, issuing the order for exhuming the body of William McClintock. Facing him, left to right, are Assistant State's Attorney Gorman, Coroner Wolff and Assistant State's Attorney Savage, who is receiving the permit.



Investigating the death of William H. McClintock, "millionaire orphan." Chicago authorities disinterred the body in an effort to determine positively the cause of his death. McClintock died supposedly of typhoid fever, leaving an estate valued at \$20,000,000 to his father's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William D. Shepherd.



MRS. W. D. SHEPHERD



W. D. SHEPHERD

Reported Death of Man Here Was "Fake"

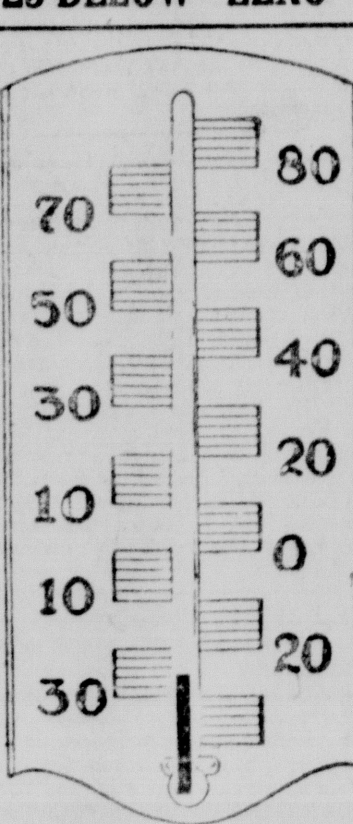
The Evening Telegraph received an inquiry late Saturday afternoon in which the Ottawa Times of Ottawa, Ill., sought information concerning the reported finding of a dead body near the Sandusky Cement company's plant east of Dixon. According to the report, the body of a man known as John Carey had been found near the cement company's plant, the body frozen and a bullet hole in the head. A letter to this effect was received at the Ottawa newspaper office, it was stated.

An investigation was begun through the sheriff's office but no foundation for the wild rumor could be found. Upon inquiry it was ascertained that no such name appeared on the pay roll of the cement company. It was also learned that the supposed Carey had separated from his wife, who was alleged to be living in Ottawa and it was thought that this might have been a roughly concocted scheme to win back her affection.

Two Days Left for Filing Bonus Claims

With only two days left in which to file bonus claims, efforts are being made to induce delinquent soldiers of Illinois to comply with this compensation act. The time limit expires Wednesday night, and the tardy applicants will be given every opportunity to record their claims. The high claim number received by the state recognition board last week was \$30,039, providing for the payment of a total of \$51,584.81. It is believed that the \$55,000,000 voted by the people for the bonus will be sufficient to pay all claims.

25 BELOW ZERO



The mercury touched another new low mark for the winter early Sunday morning when it dropped to 25 degrees below zero, the reading being on the official government instrument at the home of Arlene H. Lord, 415 First avenue. Not once during Sunday or Sunday night did the instrument read above the zero mark, the highest being 2 below.

INFANT SON IS DEAD

Gilbert Martin, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Y. Cox, 614 Van Buren avenue, passed away at the Dixon hospital Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Funeral services were conducted from the Preston chapel this afternoon at 2 o'clock with interment in Oakwood.



JUDGE HENRY OLSON

CONGRESS BACK ON JOB AFTER HOLIDAY REST

Expects to Be Busy Until Adjournment on March 4th.

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Washington, Dec. 29.—Congress after a week's recess, today buckled down to legislative tasks that promise to keep it busy until adjournment March 4.

The Senate still faced a problem in Muscle Shoals which holds right of way there, with the House resuming work on appropriation bills. Three of the dozen supply measures already have been counted off and sent to the Senate to leave the treasury post office bill in line for house action. Its passage there this week will clear the way for the army supply bill.

In the offing on the Senate program is the calling up of the President's veto of the postal salary increase bill by unanimous consent for a vote on Tuesday, January 6. Meanwhile hearings on the administration postal rate increase bill, which leaders hope to have ready for the Senate by that date, will continue before the joint committee.

Although the Senate has yet to take up any way of appropriation, bills sent from the House, their consideration in committee has begun and leaders believe by speedy action, the Senate can catch up during the less than ten weeks remaining of the session.

Died on Operating Table Sunday Noon

(Telegraph Special Service)
Sterling, Ill., Dec. 29.—Herbert J. Higby, Sr., aged 71, of Sterling, passed away Sunday noon at the Dixon State Hospital, where he had been a patient for several years, in the midst of an operation for the removal of a leg. His body was brought to Sterling where funeral services will be held. He is survived by the following children: Audley C. of Dixon; Floyd D., Herbert, Jr., and Harold of Sterling; John H. of Chicago and Miss Nellie and Mrs. Lillian Kimball of Grand Island, Neb.



CORONER OSCAR WOLFF

THE WEATHER

WHAT THE NEIGHBOR CHILDREN
DON'T KNOW ABOUT YOU ISN'T
WORTH YOUR CHILDREN
TELLING THEM.



MONDAY, DEC. 29, 1924

By Associated Press Leased Wire
ILLINOIS: Light snow probable tonight and Tuesday; not so cold.

CHICAGO AND VICINITY: Overcast tonight and Tuesday with probably light snow; not so cold. Lowest temperature tonight about 15; moderate winds mostly southerly.

WISCONSIN: Light snow probable tonight and Tuesday; not so cold tonight.

IOWA: Unsettled with probably light snow in east portion tonight and Tuesday and in west portion tonight; not so cold tonight and in east portion Tuesday.

Three Generations are Buried in One Coffin

By Associated Press Leased Wire
East St. Louis, Ill., Dec. 29.—Three generations of one family were buried in one coffin yesterday following funeral services at the Methodist Episcopal Church at Caseyville, near here.

They were Mrs. Celia Harrod, 65; her daughter, Miss Russa Harrod, 31, and her grand daughter, Dorothy Brooks, 3, all of whom were buried to death last Friday.

The women and child were asleep in the home of W. C. Brooks when he accidentally set fire to his home while trying to light the kitchen fire.

ARGUMENTS IN "CIVIL SUITS" TO END TODAY

Judge Burton Then to Decide on Small's Association.

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Springfield, Ill., Dec. 29.—Arguments in the state civil suits against Governor Small will end today, attorneys for both sides agreed here today at the reopening of the case, after a seven day postponement.

Senator John Dalley, of Peoria and Werner Schroeder of the Governor's counsel will rest their arguments this afternoon, leaving the case in Judge Burton's hands. At today's brief session, the state rested its case and the agreement to end arguments today was reached. Court will reconvene at 1:30 this afternoon for the final arguments.

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Springfield, Ill., Dec. 29.—Prospect of a final argument in the state civil suits against Governor Small would end today, or tomorrow morning, were seen here today as attorneys prepared to resume the case, after a delay of a week due to the illness of Judge Frank W. Burton of Carlinville.

No word had been received from Judge Burton, but it was expected that he would arrive from Carlinville some time today to resume the bench. Assistant Attorney General Clarence Board, who was speaking when court adjourned has indicated that it will require but a few moments to close his remarks. Attorney Werner Schroeder will then make the chief closing address for the Governor. He has announced that he intends to speak the better part of a day. Senator John Dalley of Peoria, in summing up the Governor's case was expected to consume an hour at the most. At the close of his speech the case will go into the hands of Judge Burton, who will determine, with the help of the Masters-Chancery's report and the argument of counsel, whether or not the Governor is accountable, as alleged, by Attorney General Brundage.

Annual State Spelling Contest Opened Today

Springfield, Dec. 29.—Between 25 and 50 counties were represented in the annual spelling contest which opened here this morning, according to Francis G. Blair, superintendent of public instruction. The contest is held in connection with the annual convention of the Illinois State Teachers Association.

Students contesting here are county representatives, selected through a process of elimination beginning with the village school, then the township and finally the county contest. Mr. Blair said: "The winner of today's event will be accredited with being the best speller in all of the districts represented, which include a large part of the state."

"All of the contests were written and included one hundred words. The meet here is in charge of Elmer W. Cavins, teacher of Orthography at the Illinois State Normal University at Normal, who pronounces the words, and then uses them in a sentence. The winners in each contest are given another list in the same manner, and their elimination takes place until the final winner is declared. First, second and third places will be named and gold, silver and bronze medals awarded."

"In past contests pupils often spelled the hardest words and then missed a simple one. One contest lasted from 10 a. m. until after 5 at night, when there were still two boys left in the running. It finally ended when one of them misspelled the common word 'banana.'"

The contest is limited to seventh and eighth grade students.

New License Plates Make Appearance Here

Illinois license plates for 1925 are making their appearance in Dixon and before the end of the week bid far to become common. Attorney Harry Warner is displaying the lowest number in Dixon, 255, which he says is the lowest in the county with one exception—a man in Amboy, whose name he does not know, having a number lower than his.

The Durant Tax, Cab Co. also received new plates for all of its cars this morning.

R. I. REVENUE INCREASED

Chicago, Dec. 29.—Net railway operating revenue of the Rock Island line for November was \$2,908,967 compared with \$1,568,924 for November 1923 and with \$2,803,304 for October 1924. It was announced today.

Total operating revenue for November was \$11,134,739 compared with \$11,195,475 for November 1923 and with \$12,750,177 for October 1924. Railway operating expenses for the month totaled \$8,233,942 against \$8,533,462 for the same month last year and with \$8,993,447 for October 1924.

CARS CRASHED SAT. EVE ON LINCOLN WAY

Motorman Smith Had Leg Broken; Both Cars Damaged

An attempt to make up a delayed schedule on the Sterling, Dixon & Eastern railway Saturday night, resulted in a head-on collision of two of the interurban cars at the Illinois Central viaduct on Lincoln way in which Motorman F. M. Smith of this city was seriously injured and both cars were badly wrecked. Passengers on both cars were fortunate in escaping with only a severe shaking up.

Motorman F. M. Smith who was in charge of car No. 191, coming from Sterling to Dixon, sustained a compound fracture of the right leg below the knee and the flesh on the sole of the right foot was badly lacerated. He was rushed to the hospital where he was given immediate attention. The following report of the accident was given out at the local offices of the S. D. & E. this morning:

Supt. Was Motorman.

Motorman F. M. Smith was a charge of car No. 191 coming from Sterling to Dixon and was running to make up a delayed schedule, caused about 6 o'clock in the evening when controller trouble developed on the regular interurban car No. 194 at Sterling. The big interurban car had run back to Dixon and placed in the shop for repairs, car No. 191 being sent out to fill its place. The necessary repairs were made on the regular car and with Superintendent Ben Smith as motorman, left the Dixon station at about 10:30. Supt. Smith intending to make the switch at the Borden mill plant where he would meet the incoming car and exchange passengers in an attempt to make up time on the delayed schedule.

Car Without Lights.

The two headlights used in the interurban service were on car No. 191 and the regular car was without lights. Arriving at the Illinois Central viaduct, Superintendent Smith observed the incoming car's headlights. He shut off the power on his car, as connected the control levers and started through the car with the intention of running back to the Galena avenue switch. He had not got the big car under way until the crash occurred.

Motorman F. M. Smith driving the incoming car did not observe the other car, as it displayed no lights, and crashed into it. The vestibule on car No. 191 was torn off and Motorman Smith sustained a compound fracture of the right leg, both bones of the leg being broken below the knee. The sole of the right foot was badly lacerated and he sustained cuts about the face from pieces of broken glass. Three passengers on the incoming car were shaken up but not injured. The platform of car No. 194 was badly wrecked and Superintendent Ben Smith and five passengers were somewhat shaken up but uninjured. Motorman Smith was removed to the Dixon hospital at once and both cars driven under their own power were brought to the shops.

Service Suspended.

Service on the interurban line has not been resumed today and the report given out at the offices stated that it was hoped that the regular schedule could be resumed at 6 o'clock this evening.

It was stated that Motorman Smith was not informed that car No. 194 would meet him at the Borden switch and therefore was not watching for a car. He was attempting to make up the schedule and win this same view in mind, Superintendent Ben Smith started out from the car barns, intending to run the regular interurban car, No. 194 to the Borden plant.

A rumor was circulated this morning to the effect that the amputation of part of the motorman's leg had been necessary, but this was denied as untrue. Motorman Smith was reported to be resting as comfortably as can be expected.

Judge Keeps Jury in Dulles Case on the Job

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 29.—The jury acting in the trial of "Kid" McCoy, ex-gangster, for the murder of actress Theresa W. Morse last August was instructed to continue its deliberations instead of being discharged when it failed to reach a verdict at the opening of Superior Judge Chaffin's court here today.

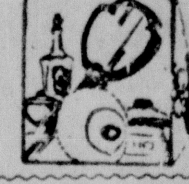
Judge Chaffin had announced that the jury which had been out since last Friday had not come to a decision by this morning, he would discharge it and set a date for a new trial.

EX-CONGRESSMAN NEAR END

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 29.—Ex-congressman Ben F. Caldwell, a democrat leader in Sangamon county, was near death this morning at a local hospital, attending physicians said. He is a widely known farmer.



WOMEN'S INTERESTS



Society

BRUCADE FOX FUR



This very attractive evening ensemble costume is a combination of gold brocade and fox fur. The gown and wrap are of the same material and the coat is lined with emerald green velvet, which harmonizes most beautifully with the dull rose, blue and green shades that appear in the brocade.

Menus for a Family

Tested by SISTER MARY

Tuesday.
Zion Household Science Club—Zion Church.
Kingdom Mt. Union Aid Society—Mrs. Ralph Lilevan, east of town.
Kendall Club—Miss Caroline Slotower, 711 E. Third St.

Wednesday.
South Dixon Community Club—Mrs. Mathias Lilevan.

Ladies' Aid Society Christian Church—At Church.

Thursday.
E. R. B. Class—St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

SOLDIER REST.

(From the Lady of the Lake.)

Sleep, rest! thy warfare o'er.

Sleep the sleep that knows not break-

ing.

Dream of the battlefields no more.

Days of danger, nights of waking.

In our isle's enchanted hall.

Hands unseen thy couch are strew-

ing.

Fairy strains of music fall.

Every sense in slumber dawning.

Soldier, rest! thy warfare o'er.

Dream of fighting fields no more.

Sleep the sleep that knows not break-

ing.

Morn of toil; nor night of waking.

No rude sword shall reach thine ear.

Armour's clang, or war-seed's champ-

ing.

Trump nor pibroch summon here.

Musical clan, or squadron tramp-

ing.

Yet the lark's shrill life may come

At the daybreak, from the fallow

And the bittern sound his drum

Booming from the sodgy shallow.

Ruder sounds shall none be near.

Guards nor warders challenge here.

Here's no war-stead neigh and champ-

ing.

Shouting clans, or squadrons' stamp-

ing.

—Sir Walter Scott.

HOUSEHOLD SUGGESTIONS.

Sew Hangers.

Fasten sew eyes in the ends of

your brooms, brushes and mops so

that they may be hung up rather

than rest from their own weight.

Colored Clothes.

Colored clothes should never lie in

water, but should be laundered as

quickly as possible.

Use Kerosene.

Black walnut furniture is quickly

cleaned by rubbing with a flannel

cloth moistened with kerosene.

Leftover Meat.

Leftover meat may be chopped and

added to scrambled eggs, omelets or

rice to form a substantial dish.

HAS BEEN IN HOSPITAL

THIRTEEN WEEKS.

Friends in Dixon and surrounding

towns will be glad to learn that Miss

Jennie Oakes, who has been ill in the

Rockwell hospital for the past thirteen

weeks, is much improved. Miss Oakes

has been a teacher in different schools

in the county for a number of years.

She is a most proficient teacher and

numbers her friends by the score. At

Christmas Miss Oakes received 160

messages, gifts, flowers and fruit. She

is happy to be so well remembered

and wishes to extend her heartfelt ap-

preciation to all her friends and

trusts that before long she may be

able to thank them personally and de-

sires to do so in some way help them

as they have helped her. All join in ex-

tending to Miss Oakes sincere wishes

for her speedy recovery.

ENTERTAINED FOR MRS.

GROVER GEHANT.

Mrs. Harry Quick of Dixon enter-

tained most delightfully the first of

last week in honor of Mrs. Grover

Gehant, who was then Miss Lilla

Quick, her marriage to Grover Gehant

taking place Saturday morning at her

home in Ashton.

Eight brides were the guests at Mrs.

Quick's party, and a happy congenial

occasion, it proved to be.

Miss John Charters also entertain-

ed a week ago Saturday a club of ex-

teen young college women, with bridge

in honor of the bride-to-be, and a party

was also given at the Charters Grif-

th home in her honor, beside the

party mentioned in Saturday's issue

of the Telegraph, telling of the enter-

tainment at the home of Mrs. Berge-

son.

E. R. B. CLASS TO

MEET THURSDAY.

The E. R. B. class of St. Paul's

Lutheran church will meet Thursday

evening at the church. The homese-

as for the evening will be Mrs. M.

Christianson, Mrs. G. Onnen, Mrs. C.

Jonasman and Miss Ida Cortright.

added to the enjoyment of the happy

afternoon.

ENTERTAINED ON

CHRISTMAS DAY.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C.

Struckman of 1349 Lincoln Way, the

following guests were entertained on

Christmas day:

Mrs. G. E. Sutherland, Mr. and

Mrs. Frank Stevens and son, Elmer,

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Haas, Jr.,

daughter Norma and son, Kenneth,

Gladys and David Lear, and Gerhart

Selma. A bounteous dinner was

served followed by a program design-

ed to carry out the traditional spirit

of merriment and good will, after

which a huge hamper full of gifts

were distributed by Santa Claus en-

costume. A very merry afternoon

was enjoyed by all and was followed

by an oyster supper and the evening

spent in social chat.

The gathering was a double cele-

bration, as it was Mrs. Sutherland's

birthday anniversary, and the guests

departed at a late hour, all wishing

Mrs. Sutherland many happy returns

of the day.

CHORUS WILL NOT

MEET TONIGHT.

Mrs. Goodsell's chorus will not meet

at the Lutheran church for rehearsal

tonight. The next rehearsal will be

Monday night, Jan. 5th, at 8:00 p. m.

URANUS CLUB TO MEET

FRIDAY EVENING.

The Uranus club will hold their reg-

ular meeting on Friday evening, Jan.

2nd, in place of Thursday evening.

Members please note change of date.

SPENT CHRISTMAS IN

MI. MORRIS.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Moss and

Gaugher, Bernardine, spent Christmas

with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs.

Messer at Mt. Morris.

WEEK-END GUESTS AT

BLEMER HOME.

Miss Lulu Anderson of Freeport,

and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Preston of

Morrison were week-end guests at the

E. J. Bremer home.

Additional Society on Page 2

Lodge News

to speak

to Kiwanians Tuesday

The Dixon Kiwanis club will meet

at the Y. M. C. A. tomorrow noon at

12:15 for their regular weekly lunch-

and business meeting. Rev. Au-

brey S. Moore, pastor of the Metho-

dist church will be the speaker and

short talks will also be made by the

retiring officers. This is the last meet-

ing of the year and every member

is urged to attend.

Gyros Club to Meet as

Usual at Inn this Eve

The regular weekly meeting of the

Dixon Gyro club will be held this

evening at 6:30 at the Dixon Inn.

Dinner will be enjoyed at that hour

after which matters of business will

be disposed of.

Knox County Bankers to

War on Bank Robbers

Galesburg, Ill., Dec. 29.—Plans an-

nounced by the Knox County Bank-

ers' association for making this coun-

ty a "tough place for bank robbers,"

include the offering of a reward of

\$1,000 for every bank robber killed in

an attempt on a Knox county bank, and

the arming of a large number of

special deputies with high powered

rifles to take up the pursuit when a

holdup has occurred. The deputies

will be trained in sharpshooting and

will take part in contests staged here

during the year to keep in shape.

According to the bankers' plans,

some of the deputies will live in

town and others along main traveled

country roads. When a bank has

been robbed, word will be flashed

to them and they will attempt to head

off the bandits.

FAVOR DRAB WOMEN

Cairo.—Women of the "Voxit So-

ciety," a new Mohammedan religious

sect, must abandon the wearing of

any bright colors and must not be

seen in public unless dressed and veiled

in black and white. The new sect

believes that the attraction of bright

colors is responsible for most of the

evil in the world.

More sugar cane is raised in

Louisiana than in any other state

in the Union.

MIRRO PIE PLATES

The finest a woman ever

used. 10-inch, only 29c

Edson's Hardware Co.

MIRRO Measuring Cups

1/2 pint (tea cup-ful) 15c

1 pint (2 tea cupsful) 25c

Edson's Hardware Co.

Dame Fashion Decrees These Styles



BY MARIAN HALE

NEA Service Writer

Sprightliness of style as well as

sprightliness of color emphasize the

new spring creations accepted by the

National Cloak, Suit and Skirt Man-

ufacturers' Association.

The slenderizing silhouette con-

tinues as the foundation for styling.

A mannish mood is strongly evidenced

in sports coats while the shorter

length skirt is having influence

upon the styling of new spring coats.

These reflect a trimness and jaun-

teness that will delight the hearts of

women.

Dressy garments have an extreme-

ly trim appearance and while fabrics

for the most part are plain, Dame

Fashion insists they be colorful.

At the upper left in the photograph

is a sports ensemble for the younger

woman. It is of apricot flannel

trimmed with striped tie and facings

make the simple frock and straight

coat.

A double-breasted two-button tweed

with its mannish pockets and lapels

is shown in the center picture. There

is a belt placed high in the back.

Jewelstone in an aquamarine shade

makes

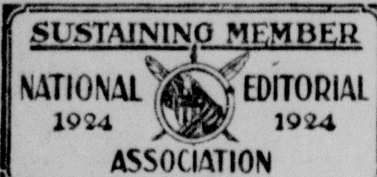
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WHERE DO THEY COME FROM?

Epidemics of hiccups have been traveling
around the country. It seems to be a wan-
dering ailment that stays only a few days or
weeks in a community, then moves on. A
victim "hics" for 24 to 72 hours, and abruptly
recovers. Annoying but relatively harm-
less—just one of those nasty little nuisances
that are forever bothering people.

What started the hiccup epidemics? Doc-
tors cannot answer. Some students of phy-
chology and mental peculiarities assert that
it is all a matter of imitateness or sugges-
tion. Their theory is that a few people have
hiccups and others unconsciously copy them.

Last winter, colds "ran to" bronchitis. This
year the tendency is for colds to cling to the
head. Here we have more nasty little epi-
demies. A definite type of cold goes the
rounds. For instance, the head cold accom-
panied by an earache.

Medical specialists observe that each of
these epidemics has definite characteristics
of its own. It indicates that what we call a
"cold" covers thousands of strange ailments.

Each year, as cities become more congest-
ed and the air more poisoned by auto exhaust,
we have more and more epidemics of colds
and flu.

As fast as the medical profession makes
progress in curbing a disease like, for in-
stance, typhoid or diabetes, nature sends new
destroyers—new ailments to attack us.

Lately her destroyers have been re-enforced
by widespread nervous disorders and mul-
titudes of peculiar "flus" and colds.

Nature's system is to keep us so that she
can strike us down to make room for oncom-
ing generations. That's why new maladies
develop as fast as the medical profession gets
old one under control. And it is the reason
why man will never find any elixir to enable
him to live to an extremely old age. By right
living we might survive 150 years, but some-
where is a natural deadline to prevent the
earth becoming overcrowded.

It is a natural law. You see it at work ev-
erywhere—constant building up is balanced
or offset by constant disintegration.

Orange and lemon trees, for instance, have
been aided a lot by science. Now they have
a disease called chlorosis, which among oth-
er things causes fruit to stop growing. The
scientists are fighting back by injecting medi-
cine into the "sick" trees.

Or take the animal kingdom. "Chicken
flu" has been going the rounds—so severely
that a fourth of the chickens delivered to
New York died upon arrival. To protect it-
self, New York placed an embargo against
shipments of chickens from eight states that
supply it with nine-tenths of its live poultry.
So goes the eternal program of destruction.

DIVORCE.

Divorces are increasing. Last year 165,139
married couples dissolved partnership. Many
critics, accordingly, "view with alarm." If
they really want to learn something about the
increasing failure of the marriage institution,
they should investigate the far greater num-
ber of marriages that result wretchedly, yet
avoid divorce courts.

The main trouble is that people, in court-
ing, usually masquerade, concealing faults
and prejudices that reveal themselves later.
Men and women who are always "their real
selves" are not apt to make a botch of wed-
lock.

LOVE.

This year in our country there'll be more
than one and a quarter million marriages.

Probably five millions would be a conserva-
tive estimate of the constant number of Amer-
icans who are either engaged to marry or
planning to.

The public is concerned chiefly with get-
ting enough to eat, being able to gratify its
vanity, and mate with the opposite sex. In-
tellectual reformers usually fail because they
neglect to appeal to these basic motives.

PRISON.

"Stone walls do not a prison make, nor
iron bars a cage." An inmate of Maryland
Penitentiary tells Warden Sweezy that he
can escape any time he wants to. Warden
tells him to go ahead and try it. Thirty min-
utes later, he telephones from outside the
walls, then returns voluntarily.

The honor system, applied with common
sense, is the best prison wall. In time it may
be the only wall except for the worst cases,
notably convicts who would imperil the pub-
lic if they were at large.

Mayor Dever is at last aroused to the bad
reputation Chicago's gunmen are bringing to
the city. He contemplates giving out the or-
der to stop on suspicion all police characters,
search them for weapons and lock them up
should they be found armed. Officers are ad-
vised to take no chances in making such ar-
rests, but to shoot to kill at the least sign of
a suspicious move. That ought to be a per-
manent rule, not merely a temporary or spor-
adic effort, if gunmen are to be disarmed in
any big city such as Chicago, that has well-
known underworld characters.

The Morrison hotel in Chicago announces
that it is to build a forty-five story addition
with 850 rooms, at an expense of \$17,000-
000. It will be 506 feet tall, or less than 50
feet lower than the Washington monument.
That ought to help Chicago to rescue the 1928
democratic convention from New York, if the
solid south doesn't land it down where it be-
longs.

"The sun do move." A meeting of Nash-
ville business men raised \$4000 to supple-
ment rewards offered by the state of Tennes-
see and the city of Nashville, to aid in prosecu-
tion of members of a mob who lynched a
negro boy recently. Not so long ago this
money would more likely have been offered
as a premium for such lynchings.

With the prospect that Spain will abandon
her Moroccan territory in north Africa,
France is claiming it must fall to her, oth-
erwise her own African territory might have
troublesome neighbors. Isn't America lucky
that she does not covet any nation's terri-
tory?

TOM SIMS SAYS

If you just looked out for Number One this
Christmas remember it is the smallest num-
ber.

The best Christmas gift is the gift of know-
ing what others want.

About the only prices that have been low-
ered recently are those of 1924 calendars.

Dallas (Tex.) man threw a natchet at her.
So she got a divorce. Women are so scary.

Bad news from the Eskimos: They are
eating dogs. Next time your dog barks
threaten to eat him.

Los Angeles bank messenger says he spent
\$30,000. Maybe he mistook himself for a
movie star.

Auto owners will be tickled to learn a St.
Louis garage man was fined for using a
stored car.

Chicago man sues his wife for lost love.
If he values it at \$100,000 he should have
taken better care of it.

While Christmas costs a married man more
than a bachelor it is worth more to a mar-
ried man.

Everybody loves a fat man dressed up as
Santa Claus.

The worst thing about winter is it doesn't
come in summer.

News from Paris: Artists have selected
what they call the most perfect girl, figura-
tively speaking.

St. Louis man phoned home after being
missing nine years. May blame it on the poor
phone service.

Wisconsin football player will recover
from a twisted neck, but must miss necking
parties a few months.

It is easy to keep things coming your way
when you are going theirs.
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"Well," he said, taking a hand mirror and looking himself over. "I must
say, I'm better looking with my nose powdered and my cheeks all
reddened up."

The next place Snitcher Snatch
went to, he made a mistake. There
were no children in the house at all.
As he slid down the chimney into
one of the bedrooms, he knew it at
once. "You can always tell," he re-
marked as he looked about. "Not a
thing out of order—not a crooked
rug, or a bit of mud, or a scratch on
the woodwork, or a finger mark on
the wallpaper! Humph! I don't want
to stay here."

Snitcher Snatch was a peculiar gob-
lin. He liked children all to pieces, al-
though you'd never have guessed it
from the way he loved to spoil their
toys. But that was the only way he
knew how to play—to spoil things,
and after all I know children who
play that way, too!

"I'm not going to stay here," he
scooped. "No fun where there aren't
any children. Things are too much
in order here to suit me. I'll just be
going the way I came."

But suddenly he spied the dressing
table with all its brushes and combs
and little pots and boxes, and forget-
ting what he said about going, he
went and looked it over. "Oh, dear,
why didn't I ever think of it before,"
he cried. "I'm going to have a cir-
cus."

So he opened all the little boxes
and pots and sitting up on the pin-
cushions, he began to dab his cheeks
and his eyebrows and nose with all
sorts of stuff.

"Well," he said taking a hand mir-
ror and looking himself over, "I must
say, I'm better looking with my nose
powdered and my cheeks all reddened
up."



WHAT'S IN THE AIR TUESDAY—
WOC—THE PALMER SCHOOL OF
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10:00 A. M.—Opening Market Quota-
tions.
10:05 A. M.—Household Hints.
10:35 A. M.—Time Signals.
11:00 A. M.—Weather and River Fore-
cast.
11:05 A. M.—Market Quotations.
12:00 Noon—Chimes Concert.
12:15 P. M.—Weather Forecast (Re-
peated).
2:00 P. M.—Closing Stocks and Mar-
kets.
5:45 P. M.—Chimes Concert.
6:00 P. M.—Sport News and Weather
Forecast.
(No broadcasting after 6:00 P. M.
Tuesday—Silent Night for WOC.)
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WGB Atlanta (429) 8-9 soprano, pian-
ist 10:45 orchestra.
WEE Boston (393) 6 Big Brother
club; 6:30 mandolin quintet; 7:15
trio; 8 Eveready hour.
WGR Buffalo (319) 6-6:30 music; 8-10
musical programs.
KYW Chicago (345) 6:35 Uncle Bob; 7
concert; 7:30 speech review; 8 musi-
cal; 8:30 speeches; 8:45 musical; 10
at home.
WGN Chicago (370) 6 organ; 6:30 con-
cert; 8 program; 10 orchestra.
WLS Chicago (441) 6:30 organ; 7 full
band; 7:15 contralto; 7:30 orchestra;
7:45 contralto; 8 farm program; 9
Saddler feature; 10 orchestra; 10:15
violinist; 10:30 entertainers; 12 re-
view.
WMAQ Chicago (445) 6 organ; 6:30
orchestra; 8 book review; 8:20 travel
talk; 8:50 lecture; 9:15 concert.
WLW Cincinnati (423) 10 orchestra,
quartet, instrumental trio, soprano.
WBAV Columbus (429) 7 orchestra.
WFAX Dallas News (476) 8:30 vocal
artists; 11 organ.
WXYZ Detroit News (513) 7:30 News
orchestra, soloists.
KNX Hollywood (337) 8 music; 10 or-
chestra; 11 features; 12 orchestra.
WDAF Kansas City Star (411) 6-7
School of the Air; 11:45-1 Night-
hawk frolic.
WHB Kansas City (411) 8-9 special
program.
KFI Los Angeles (469) 8:45 organ; 10
instrumental trio; 11 Press club; 12
ballad hour.
KHJ Los Angeles Times (395) 8 con-
cert; 8:30 children; 9:30 talk; fea-
tures; 12 orchestra.
WLAS Louisville Times (400) 7:30 con-
cert orchestra, violinist.
WMC Memphis (501) 8 story; 8:30
classical; 11 frolic.
WCCO Minneapolis St. Paul (417) 6:15
talk; 6:30 concert orchestra.
WOR Newark (405) 6 orchestra; 6:35
sports.
WEAF New York (492) 6 orchestra; 7
talk; 7:15 John Hill; 7:30 Gold Dust
Twins; 8 Eveready hour; 9 orches-
tra.
WHN New York (360) 6:10 employ-
ment; 8:30 news; 8:37 orchestra; 9
vaudeville; 10 dance.
WJZ New York (435) 6 "dogs"; 7:30
organ recital; 8:15 Navy band.
WJY New York (405) 6:30 Christmas
carols; 8 talk; 8:30 baritone; 9 talk.
WNYC New York (526) 6:30 alarms;

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asset, but the United States couldn't
afford to have them taken away from
her forcibly, even if it would be a
relief.

By grabbing them, Japan, at any
time, could compel this country to go
to war with her.

The advantage would be all with
Japan. America would have to keep
her fleet on duty in Philippine waters.
There alone could the Japanese
strike at her, so that's where her
fighting ships would have to be.
So concentrated, the couldn't guard
American merchant vessels elsewhere
in the Pacific. American trade would
be driven from the sea.

It might suffer even on the Atlantic.
A Japanese raider or two could at
least render it insecure.

But if it weren't for the Philippines?
If the United States were not responsi-
ble for them?

Leaving them out of consideration,
there's little Japan can do to this
country.

A few airplanes, submarines and
mines could adequately protect the
Pacific coast and Hawaii, the enemy
would be forced to fight at such long
range.

The Japanese navy might make
trouble for American merchant ships
in the western Pacific, but at the
same time the Asiatic Squadron would
be making corresponding trouble for
Japanese merchant ships in the east-
ern part of the same ocean.

It would be war, but a war in which
the United States would be at no dis-
advantage. She might even be at
some advantage, through possession
of Hawaii as a base, much nearer to
Japan than any base Japan could find
for herself in the direction of the
American coast.

As a non-member, America has, of
course, no means of getting her white
elephant off from her own and onto
the League of Nations' hands, but if
the administration could, there's
small question that it would, and as
soon as possible.



He which converteth the sinner
from the error of his way shall save
a soul from death, and shall hide a
multitude of sins.—Jas. 5:20.

A man to be converted has to give
up his will, his ways and his thoughts.
—D. L. Moody.

---you can't change
it.

Try as you will—
transpose, invert, cross-
ways, sideways, or up-
side down. Two and two must
equal four. It's a law of
mathematics. It can't be
changed.

There is a business
law that it is just as in-
volute. Value in cloth-
ing is composed of two prin-
cipal parts—style and quality.

Nothing can sub-
stitute.

This store sells
values.



The Tangle

LETTER FROM RUTH BURKE TO
WALTER BURKE

Dear Man of Mine: I am smiling
to myself as I write "Dear Man of
Mine" for I never thought that I
would ever want any man to be
mine again, and now my whole be-
ing thrills when I think of you, dear,
as my man.

Isn't it strange that a person can
come into one's life and in a very
little time make himself so indis-
pensable that when he goes away
for ever so short a while one is dis-
consolate.

Dear, I am so lonely that this gay
city by the sea seems a howling wil-
derness in which I am lost and all
the while calling, calling for you.

I did not think it possible, dear
heart, that your absence could pos-
sibly make such a difference in my
life.

Although it may make you more
concerned than any man should be,
I can not resist telling you that I
thing I would go out and throw my-
self off the steel pier tonight if I
knew you were not coming back to
me. I would not want to live with-
out you. I do not think I could live
without you.

If someone had told me a few
months ago that you or anyone else
in all this world could have possibly
made himself a part of me as you
have, dear one, I would have thought
he were crazy.

It is so wonderful to know that
somewhere in this world tonight
there is a man who is thinking of
me, wishing for me, as I am thinking
and wishing for him.

I tell you kisses, dearest. I hear
your carressing voice. I see your
lovelit eyes—oh, what is the use!
I am an old married woman and
probably you, my husband, will
think that it is foolish to write you
such rhapsodical thoughts as I
have just put down here.

I do not care whatever you think
of it. I am going to send it anyway,
for, for me, I believe, I have been
able to realize what a great—what a

miraculous thing it is to be able to
love anyone as I love you.

In all the books, in all the drama,
in all the poetry one reads of the
pains of loving and the joy of being
loved.

Dearest, I have proven to myself
at least that to really love, love un-
selfishly, loyally, faithfully and
trustfully is the greatest bliss on
this earth.

Of course, I am unspeakably
happy in the knowledge that you
love me but more—even more than
that—I am filled with the joy that I
did not know was of this earth be-
cause I have found that in my frozen
heart has crept the power to love
you.

The sunshine is more golden, the
moon is more radiant, in its silvery
sheen, the trees are greener, the sky
is bluer, the flowers more fragrant,
the birds sing more sweetly and all
the world is so beautiful that the
thought of golden streets and pearl
gates do not intrigue me in the
least while you are alive and I can
love you.

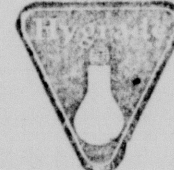
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TOMORROW—This letter con-
tinued.

DIVORCES UNHAMPERED

Mexico City.—(By The Associated
Press)—Foreign divorce seekers will
encounter a obstacles from the fed-
eral government to disembarking at
Progreso, en route to the Yucatan
m'ill for unscrambling marriages.
These matrimonial misfits need only
prove that they earn their living hon-
estly, according to Assistant Secre-
tary Benitez, of the department of
the interior, in order to take advantage
of Yucatan's almost automatic legal
machinery for breaking marriage
bonds.

Reports recently had it that immi-
gration inspectors at Progreso were
refusing to allow unaccompanied mar-
ried women to land unless they car-
ried written authorizations from their
husbands. Mr. Benitez declared this
was incorrect, as the inspectors have
been ordered to bar only those who
could not prove they had an honest
way of earning their living.

About one fifth of a cow's diet
consists of noxious insects.



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and sizes, including
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DIXON WOMAN IS VISITOR AT HOME FORMER KAISER

Miss Geisenheimer Has Many Interesting Experiences Abroad.

Miss Anna Geisenheimer of this city, who is now in Europe, writing from Pension Bavaria, Steinplatz 2, Berlin W., Germany, under date of Dec. 10, gives a very interesting description of the apartments in the capital of the German republic, tells of her visit to the castle of the ex-Kaiser, and relates her observations of the German people's preparation for Christmas. Miss Geisenheimer's letter to The Telegraph is as follows:

Hunting a Pension in Berlin was a tremendous task even with so clever a guide as Mrs. L. who insists that this mode of living is much preferable to hotel life. The housing question here is much the same as at home. It is quite impossible to find a desirable apartment or flat in the Pension, people come and go, so there is some possibility of getting in. There are all live in flats and apartments. The streets of Charlottenburg (the Evanston of Berlin) are lined with this class of buildings. As a rule they are five stories high with the most beautiful facades of ornate decorations. They have balconies, lovely big windows, turrets and towers and are built close together, and many of them are quite palatial. However there seems to be quite a mixup. In a house with large and expensive flats, you will often see a tiny grocery shop or a bakery, or perhaps a cobbler lives in the basement and all these shops are patronized by the occupants of the flats above.

Huge, Heavy Doors
The huge door, which is so heavy one can hardly push it, is opened, when you ring, by the porter who lives with his family in a tiny dwelling on the ground floor, which is never called the first floor. The entrance hall is generally of marble or a clever imitation of marble. The decoration is lavish; halls and staircase are richly carpeted, often great mirrors are set in the walls and sometimes there are plants. The newer buildings are heated by steam (central heat they call it) and have elevator service, while the older ones have tall stoves made of china tiles. These are heated by means of bricks; they have no elevator service, which means much climbing of stairs. The most popular floor is of solid wood and is highly polished, the ceilings are very high and always decorated in relief work. The use of beautiful cabinets, pictures, etc., adds a most refined atmosphere to the furnishings and makes the rooms delightfully cosy and comfortable.

Given Chain of Keys
When we became permanent residents of Pension Bavaria we were given a long chain of keys so we no longer ring for the porter, one key for the front door, one for the elevator which we operate ourselves and others for different doors as everything is securely locked and it requires some effort to get into the building. All the windows are double, which keeps out cold and noise as well. They open inward like doors and like doors they do not have knobs but long brass handles.

Roman-Style Baths
The bath rooms in this house are the Roman style set deep down below the floor, which is tiled, the room being large and quite airy gives one a whiff of feeling. One pays extra for heat, light, soap, etc. The people in this Pension are rather a cosmopolitan group, students from Switzerland, Roumania and Denmark; quite a number of Russians of whom said stories might be told; one lady and her son fled from Moscow at the time of the revolution when their property was seized. Only a few Americans are here but as usual all the foreigners speak some English. The conversation in the dining room is a sort of medley and one is confused by the mixture of many languages. To add to this confusion a French cook serves us most appetizing meals in the real French way. Breakfast is served in our sitting rooms; children are allowed here but no dogs.

Ex-Emperor's Castle
Remembering former interesting visits to the Emperor's castle, the Schloss, we were anxious to see it again under different conditions. The building contains over 700 rooms, parts of it being very old, dating back as far as 1640. This time there was no need of the huge felt slippers of former years as great strips of linoleum have been laid to protect the marvelous tiled floors and everybody enters in a most democratic way, not so much formality nowadays. Today the Schloss is a big peaceful museum and every tourist can see the famous "White Hall" in which were held the most elaborate of festivities by the old regime and where seldom, if ever, a simple citizen was admitted. Arts and crafts, exquisite pieces of furniture of the Middle Ages, the Renaissance, the Eighteenth Century, statues and beautiful zobelins form the bulk of the collection. Another part of the castle has been turned into special offices for welfare enterprises, where work is being distributed to the women of the middle classes who are trying to improve their means of livelihood by sewing, embroidering, etc. The Austrian Welfare Committee has taken its headquarters here and established a kitchen for the doctors, poets and other members of the intellectual professions who have lost their money in the big social upheaval and who are not able to solve the mystery of earning a living under totally changed conditions. The headquarters of the Quakers used to be in the Kaiser's Schloss but they have moved to another place. An entrance fee of one mark is charged.

Preparing for Christmas
Just at the present time the all absorbing question seems to be Christmas. For many days we have

"THE WICKEDEST CITY IN THE WORLD"



THE TOWN OF BURNHAM IS SORDID AND FATTENS ON THE MORAL ISSUE.



IN CICERO THE GAMBLING JOINTS RUN WILD AND FREQUENTLY THE BEER RUNNERS SHOOT UP THE PLACE AND ALSO THEMSELVES.



BANDS OF MORONS ATTACK WOMEN AND SLUG THEIR ESCORTS



DION O'BANNON DOUBLECROSSED HIS PAIS AND PAID THE PENALTY.



A HAIRY DEMENTED MAN SPREAD TERRORISM THROUGHOUT ONE NEIGHBORHOOD.

BY ROY J. GIBBONS
NEA Service Writer

Chicago—Chicago is the wickedest city in the world.

Even Paris is better. Apaches are gentle compared to the gunmen of Chicago's underworld.

With unfailing regularity, gangsters here are chalking up a murder a day.

Assassins' bullets are mowing down men.

Somewhere in Chicago a man or woman will be slain tonight. Tomorrow night another will meet the same fate.

Women, elderly as well as young, fear to venture out at night. Bands of morons are attacking them.

Cops Get No Days Off

In one section, a hairy, demented man, described by several victims as a "human ape," is spreading terrorism throughout the neighborhood.

An unprecedented epidemic of hold-ups, burglaries and second-story violence is sweeping the city from end to end.

All of which may seem but the prattle of reformers or the groundless fears of overwrought citizens. But it isn't.

Every bit of it is borne out in police and court records and the daily crime accounts in the newspapers.

Police, seemingly powerless to cope with the situation, have been put on an "emergency" basis. This calls for nine hours' patrol duty each day with no days off.

Judges, too, awakened to the enormity of the job before them, have been handing out stiff sentences to the comparatively few culprits convicted by juries.

Criminal dockets, however, are crowded to almost impossible capacity.

Judges There, Too

From all sides come rumors of "fixing" in the courts. A multitude of drives are being made against law-

enforcement officials suspected of "winking" at the cases of powerful underworld leaders.

Chief of Police Morgan Collins was quoted as blaming it on certain "rubber stamp judges" whom he accused of issuing writs of habeas corpus without cause to known bad men his men picked up. Later he denied it.

But the report aroused the ire of the courts. They retaliated with the comeback that the police department is inefficient. They said Collins was "passing the buck" to "cover up" for his department.

All this serves as a brief back ground to the crime wave that reached its climax here with the slaying of Dion O'Bannon, notorious beer-runner and reputed multimillionaire underworld king.

Several judges were seen at the funeral services. This brought sharp censure from the public and a cutting reprimand from Chief Justice Olson of municipal court.

The recent election, I believe, did not make any very great changes but indicates that a majority of the German people are filled with the desire to assist in the application of the Daves plan with a view to the higher interests of the entire country. As to the need of the poor, I understand there is still much distress and suffering and that much is being done for their relief, many benefit entertainments are being given and every effort is being put forth to give all a happy Christmas time.

Some guests arriving here today from New York tell us the weather here is about the same they left at home ten days ago.

Embargo on Illinois Fowls Called Unjust

Chicago, Dec. 29.—That Illinois poultrymen consider the New York City and State embargo, placed on all poultry shipments from Illinois and other mid-west states, as a rank injustice, is shown by letters and telegrams of protest from all sections of Illinois to the New York health departments.

Directors of the Illinois Poultry and Egg Shippers' Association believe that Illinois was placed on the embargo list very largely because of promiscuous shipments out of Chicago, made up of rejects from the West and Northwest.

H. B. Patton, secretary-treasurer of the shippers' association, is enlisting the support of his local shippers, the Illinois Agricultural Association, the agricultural college of the University and the Illinois state department of agriculture in an effort to secure a reconsideration of the embargo.

In pointing out some of the damages that may have been done as a result of the so-called epidemic, F. A. Gouger, director of the poultry and egg marketing department of the Illi-

nois Agricultural Association, stated that from all available information the disease is in no way communicable to the human body. He expressed the opinion that considerable harm may have been done to the poultry industry by creating a wide-spread prejudice on the part of the consumer against poultry products.

The epidemic is a light form of roup and normally breaks out in under-nourished fowls that have been weakened by long shipments in adverse weather conditions, according to Gouger. That the disease is nothing new is shown by the fact that poultrymen have known generally throughout the fall months that it was prevalent.

Authorities on poultry health recommend the co-operation of both producer and shipper to overcome the disease. On the producer's side, better care and especially more liberal feeding immediately prior to shipping is necessary as a preventative measure, thereby putting the fowls in a healthy condition to ward off the attacks of the disease. The shippers' contribution toward controlling the disease should be to thoroughly clean and disinfect all crates and cars before shipping.

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Mt. Popocatepetl in Mexico is still smoking, although no eruption has occurred since 1940.

Suburbs Also Rotten

But Chicago is not alone in all its rottenness. Many of its suburbs are havens of refuge for men the law is hounding.

Chief of these are the towns of Cicero and Burnham. The former, authorities say, is the principal rendezvous for beer runners and "hi-jackers."

There the gunmen elite gather in wild in the many gambling joints. They frequently shoot up these places and themselves, too.

Burnham is more sordid. It fattens on the moral issue. It is flagrantly a wide-open place. Beer sells there like water.

Beer Easy to Get

But for that matter, it can be bought in 1000 or more saloons in Chicago, reformers charge.

Perhaps one of the most significant features of the present crime wave is the increase in major felonies since

the Loeb-Leopold decision. Because of their youth Loeb and Leopold got life instead of death for killing little Bobby Franks.

During the next month, Chicago had the biggest murder orgy in its history. Thirty-six were slain, police blotters reveal.

With one man being killed a day, on 365 a year, but one man has been given the extreme penalty in a year.

A judge sentenced Russell Scott of Cleveland and Detroit, to death for murder committed during a cigar store holdup a year ago.

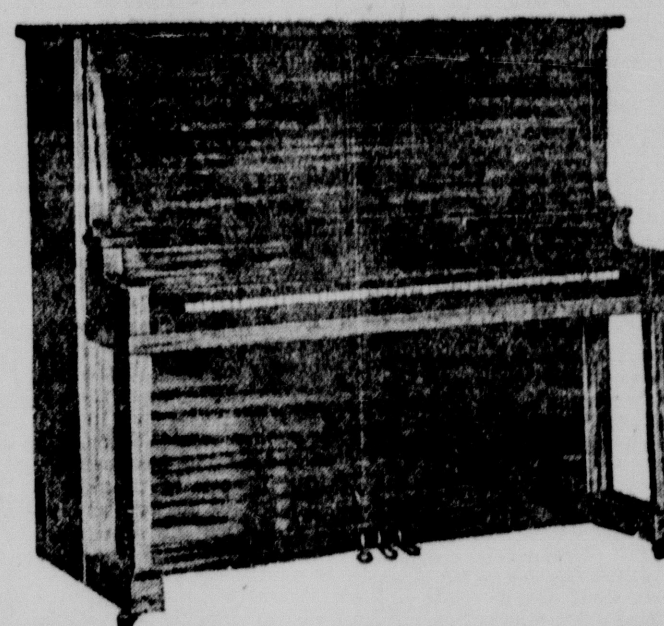
But contrasted with Scott's case was the acquittal of Anthony Valanis, Anna Valanis, Lucile Marshall and William D. Lyon, youthful sheiks and sheikas, charged with killing Mrs. Heslie Gaenselen.

The jury said they were too young to hang. It let them go because of the precedent Judge Caverly established in the Loeb-Leopold decision.

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Says Farmer Shows Most Generosity to Fellows

Chicago, Dec. 29.—The farmer, who ekes out a meagre existence by daily toil shows more generosity to the well-to-do of his fellow man than does the doctor, lawyer, manufacturer or salesman, according to a study of Dane County, Wisconsin, tax returns, presented today before the section of social research of the American Sociological Society by John L. Gillin, of the University of Wisconsin.

The farmer donates 16 percent of his taxable income to charity, religion and education, while the salesman, at the bottom of the list donates only three percent to these causes, he said.

Wisconsin income tax laws provide exemptions of ten percent on account of contributions made to charity, religion and education. A study of the Dane county tax returns, Mr. Gillin said, shows that 5,417 returns out of the 27,000 filed list definite contributions to these purposes.

However, with only four exceptions, the donors were far less generous than the law allows, only four classes of workers donating the ten percent of their incomes, for which the law allows exemption. Clergymen, with donations amounting to 12 percent, followed the farmers and laborers touched the 100 percent mark, while persons listed as "occupation" unknown donated a like percent.

Salesman, Mr. Gillin said, with their three percent donations at the bottom of the list, were not much under the percent of income donated by professors, public officials, merchants and

teachers, all of which donated 4 percent. Other professions ranged 1 percent from four to ten percent, with the average close to five percent.

"Total taxable income of the 5,417 taxpayers amounted to \$6,709,332 and contributions totaled \$258,816 of which 72 percent was given for religious work, 18 percent to charity and 1 percent to educational organizations," he said.

Of the \$258,476 given to religious organizations, 92 percent went to churches and of the \$64,127 for charity, one third went to hospitals. An approximately \$30,000 was given to educational organizations.

"It is clear that religion commands larger contributions than charity, education and, in the case of the farmer, it is accounted for by the fact that the church is the only institution making an appeal to the people of rural communities."

MIRRORS IN BOOKS

Berlin—August Hoffman has accumulated a small fortune through manufacture of books containing mirrors on the underside of the front cover. The books have become unusually popular as gifts, and hundreds of them are being sold in all parts of Germany. The books are especially favorites with women.

A movement to establish an international standard of liquid measure has been started by the Association of British Chambers of Commerce.

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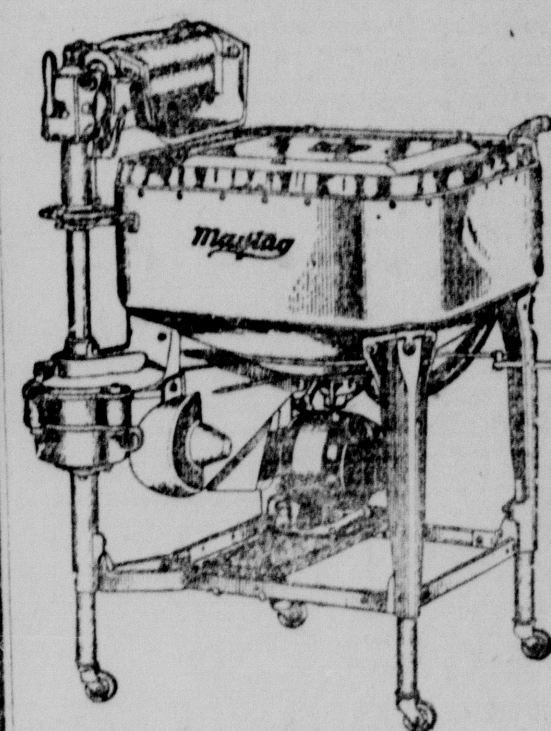
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SIXTH INSTALLMENT

Mabel Stek was a rather tall young lady with a sly, comeliness inherited from some Hungarian ancestor. Ma Holtz referred to her as a "highly-tighty dy-up-the creek," a characterization which aroused no ire in Admah's breast. He loved to associate Mabel with flying up exclusive rivers where she could commune with spirits as perfect as herself. Poor Admah was born to worship, and on Mabel Stek he wasted his first incoherent prayer. Mabel was stylish with a great stylishness that struck him dumb. Her superior air worried him; she was his savior by four years of existence, by twenty of life. He was most at ease with her when they were seated; when she stood up he barely came to her shoulder.

"It's perfectly delicious!" she declared in her pretty, rather affected voice as she reached again into the bag of peppermints which Admah had stolen from the kitchen.

He cleared his throat and struggled to invent some pretty speech to the effect that candy wasn't half so sweet as Miss Mabel Stek. But the fancy sounded daring, so he revised it to the bald statement, "Ma makes candy pretty good."

"Oh, Admah!" she giggled adorably. "What did I say then?" The boy flushed secretly under the stars.

"You won't get mad if I tell you?" There was something in her voice that suggested the benevolent aunt instructing her very young nephew, but Admah made so bold as to reply, "I wouldn't get mad at nothing, you say."

"There you go!" Her laughter rang again.

"What do?"

"For such a nice boy—and you're mighty sweet, Admah—you do use the most awful grammar."

A long pause.

"And now you are mad!" she twittered.

"No I ain't," he insisted, in spite of that hot pride which he always carried in his heart. But in sudden confidence, and humility too, he turned to her and explained, "Miss Mabel, you go to school and study books. My Pa was educated good, too. I want to learn to talk good so I can get in some sort of business."

"What sort of business, Admah?" asked Miss Mabel indulgently.

"I'm thinkin' of buyin' a candy store," he explained, swelling like the young male pigeon at courtin' time.

"My land!" exclaimed Miss Stek and laughed again. Then, relenting, she said, "Well, there's lots of money in the candy business, I reckon. But, Admah, you ought to do something about your grammar. It's too bad your mother has kept you out of school."

"Ma don't keep me out of school," he flew to his mother's defense.

Even in his delirium he remembered what Ma Holtz had so often said; if she was Mrs. Stek, said she, she wouldn't work her fingers to the bone round no soap factory just to pay for a fly-up-the-creek, actin' like a sassy lady round that High School. However, the resentment was but momentary and he quickly abandoned himself to the novel sensation of being flurried with.

"I didn't intend to be mean, Admah. Only you're too nice a boy—" Her dark eyes rolled languorously under the soft light and her voice was like honey—honey filled with some bland drug.

"Gosh!" sighed Admah. Then, more pertinently, "I wish you would learn me good grammar."

"Oh, Admah!" She didn't laugh at that. "I can't learn you grammar, I can teach you."

"Then teach me," he begged.

"Well, I reckon there are a few things you could learn right now. In the first place, you shouldn't say, 'I seen' and 'I done.' You should say, 'I saw' and 'I did.'"

"I saw and I did," he parroted after her.

"You'll remember to say it that way?"

"Yes, I'll remember," he promised solemnly. "And what else?"

"Oh, there's such a lot. But you mustn't use the double negative—if you know what I mean."

"Well, I don't."

"You mustn't say 'Ain't got no education.' You should say, 'Haven't got any education.' Because when you say 'Ain't got no' anything, you're saying just the opposite of what you're trying to say."

"Learn me—teach me some more."

"Oh, Admah!" She stirred a little restlessly, looking vaguely into the soft night. She had been absent minded all evening. Admah wondered what she was waiting for, what had disappointed her. Usually, the little porch was crowded with high school boys, tinkling musical instruments and competing for her attention. Tonight Admah had her to himself. And she was bored.

"Well, I reckon I'll be gittin' on," he decided, rising and stretching himself with a show of punctiliousness.

"Oh, don't hurry."

Taking her at her word, he resumed his seat promptly on the step below her. From this vantage point he could look up and see her dark eyes—usually snapping with vivacity—gazing with a Spanish indolence toward the sinking moon.

"Do I look pretty young to you?" he asked, by way of breaking the ice.

"Why no?" Her look was a little more than indifferent. "You're thirteen, aren't you, Admah?"

"Thirteen!" he snorted. "I'll be fourteen in August. And you know what I done?"

"Did," she corrected him.

"What I done—excuse me—I went out and looked over some property for our new candy store—Holtz and Sons, General Confectioners. I know right smart about the business already, you know."

This new aspect of Admah's character came as a giddy surprise to himself. Shy and diffident by nature, here he sat boasting like a gladiator. In mating season very young birds sometimes show their plumage.

"Aren't you smart!" chimed the young lady whom he was striving to impress.

"I reckon the real estate man thought I looked pretty young when I walked in and made him an offer. I ain't goin' to be no peddler all my life—"

"Any peddler?"

"—any peddler. Right now we don't amount to nothin'—anythin'. And do you know why?"

"Why, Admah?"

"Because we're poor."

"Fiddlisticks!" said she, but without entire conviction. "Being Swells counts more than money."

"Shucks!" was his return for her fiddlisticks. "It's money makes 'em Swells."

"How, I wonder?" She said this softly, and her face, which had been vivacious an instant before, grew wistful and discontented. She might have been consulting a seer, so strained was her tone when she asked again, "How?"

"Just have the money and you'll be a Swell all right," he replied.

"Then you think that's the difference between them and us? Just have the money, and let it cover up everything?"

"I don't mean steal it," he explained. "What was Mabel thinking about?"

"Admah, you're the strangest boy!"

This was not very different from what his mother had said with that quick, tragic kiss, less than an hour before. Enchantment was on Admah Holtz that night. He was drugged with romance and moonlight, and under a drug's stimulus he often talked too much. At the foot of the bed, under a lunar spell, he saw a reflected Admah, radiantly adventurous, talking wild chances to win incomparable status. Never before had he dared talk like this, think like this.

"Well," he heard himself boasting, "business is just like the racetrack. Got to take a long shot once in a while—"

A harsh, wooden, thumping sound called him suddenly back to life's true perspective. Bump, bump, bump! He knew that warning well. Pa Stek, a circle person who by daylight acted as foreman in the Soap Works, had a habit of pounding the floor with his shoe. A bedtime signal to his daughter.

Mabel, rising hastily, drew her mother's knit cape across her shoulders.

"I better be going," said Admah, merely by way of formula.

"Good night, Admah." She held out a hand so white that he scarcely

dared touch it with his own chapped paw.

"Will you teach me some grammar tomorrow night?" he asked, largely as an excuse to linger a little longer.

"Not to-morrow, Admah. I have an engagement—er—the theater."

"Oh." This was appalling. He had taken up the entire evening of a lady who had engagements for—the theater.

"What theater?" he enquired brazenly.

"Macmurray's," she answered, undisturbed as though she spent all her evenings at that fashionable place of amusement. "It's Louis James in Julius Caesar. Mr. Greenfall's taking me."

"That so?"

Admah Holtz stood rooted to the soil, his thoughts at war. He had seen this Mr. Greenfall among Mabel's porch-sitters. He was clerk in a large stationery store in State Street. So this fellow Greenfall could afford Macmurray's Theater and Julius Caesar. Despite his rival's worldly success and great age—Mr. Greenfall was nearly twenty—Admah was resolved to meet him at his own game.

Thump! Thump! Pa Stek's boot. "Good night, Admah," repeated Mabel, showing dimples as she rolled her sweet eyes.

"Say, Miss Mabel—" he almost choked on the rash suggestion "what's the matter with you and me goin' to the theater some night?"

"Theater, Admah," she corrected him, but laughed.

"Well, the theater. What's matter with you and me—"

"That would be delightful, Mr. Holtz," she threw back over her shoulder and went in, closing the door softly.

CHAPTER II

Admah Holtz was at the age when every male human must cross his own Rubicon in his own awkward boat.

To transport his lady all the way from Dutch Hill to a second row balcony seat in Macmurray's involved a financial program. Since the days of

Ulysses heroes have done much to gain a woman's transitory smile, most of them have awakened to ill disillusionment, and have learned nothing by it. Admah knew so little of the theater that

gallery and orchestra were all one to him; but he was already developing the shrewdness which showed later in his headlong plunges. Macmurray's was his problem, so to Macmurray's he went for his solution.

Lowliest on Macmurray's staff was an usher named Elmer. He was a thin boy with prominent brown eyes, a cigarette breath and the air of old roué.

Admah approached him with a bag of broken peppermints, and on the strength of that bribe obtained information.

If you were a nigger you could sit in the gallery for four bits; pride of race is a costly thing. Bad balcony seats were six bits, and if you wanted to sit in front where you could really see anything it would cost you a dollar a ticket.

Elmer plunged into realms of fancy, mentioning seats downstairs that went as high as a dollar and a half, but Admah wasn't listening. The need of two dollars filled every corner of his imagination.

To say that he had never seen two dollars all together in his life would be a slight exaggeration; but Ma Holtz held him to account for every cent, allowing him no more than his daily dime for carfare.

How Admah set about accumulating two dollars—and another one for general expenses—constitutes a tale of dogged persistence and devious plans. He tried to save a nickel a day by walking home at night. Better still, he discovered a way of stealing rides on the railroads of grease-wagons making late afternoon trips to the Soap Works on Dutch Hill.

This proved comfortable and easy until the day he fell asleep on his slippery perch and awoke to find himself in the gutter, one leg through Ma's new basket and a pocketful of small change scattered in the mud.

Then he began collecting empty beer bottles and selling them to a junk-man named Lazarus—the same who had purchased old John for \$12. It was slow business. At the end of two weeks Admah was eighty-five cents ahead and worn with overwork.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

SPORT NEWS

MODERN FOOTBALL
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JOHN L. GRIFFITH

Commission of Big Ten
Hits Critics Today in
An Address.

New York, Dec. 29.—(By The Associated Press)—Defending modern football, its aim and effects, Major John L. Griffith, commissioner of athletics in the Western Conference in a speech prepared for delivery today hit back at three classes of the game's critics which he labeled as "fanatics, destructionists and educational communists."

Major Griffith's remarks to be delivered before the annual meeting of the Football Coaches Association of America were intended as an answer to recent attacks upon the growing importance of football in intercollegiate life. Among the most recent outspoken was Dean Angelo of the University of Michigan who asserted football was

diverting too much attention from the fundamental purposes of university training.

"For masculine America there are three classes of people alarmed at the growth of modern football in our colleges," said Major Griffith. "First there are the fanatics, these persons suggest that the boys who play football these days do not derive any fun or pleasure from playing. The men who play football have something in the spirit of the pioneer. Football is a part of the masculine American and the fact that it appeals to the imagination of our people means that our civilization is a sturdy one."

"Then there are the destructionists who would build up intercollegiate athletics by abolishing or curtailing intercollegiate football. They do not realize that it is possible to have competitive teams and mass athletics at the same time. Last year in the Western Conference 2 percent of the male students were enrolled in some physical education activity or other. At the University of Illinois, physical education is required of all incoming freshmen for four years. Some of these men are awarded because the students do not show the same enthusiasm for their class room work they do for their football and they believe that if football were abolished these students would transfer their enthusiasm to the class room. Not

many will agree this is tenable.

About Coaches' Salaries

"Educational destructionists also believe football coaches the paid high salaries than leading educators. The Carnegie Board for the Advancement of Teaching published a report of a survey made in one section of the United States which showed the average salary paid coaches was \$3,000. I have yet to meet a coach who has made enough money by athletic coaching to permit him to live in comfort in his old age."

Then there are the educational communists who would not have one part of the educational program give more prominence than any other part. Finally if they would spend more time in building up their own

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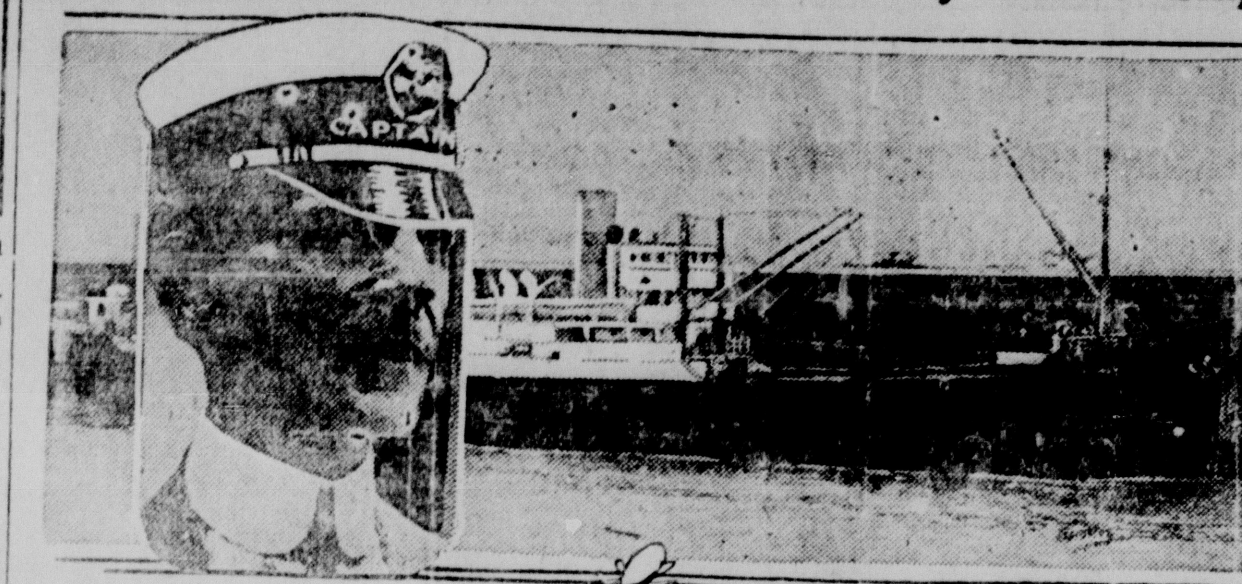
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New York Boxing Commission, with a successful combination of its featherweight tournament in sight, is reported favorable to attempting a similar method of decision in the lightweight ranks.

Chicago University basketball followers look for a revived team to meet the Navy quintet when the Annapolis men come here Tuesday night for the second Western game of their holiday trip. While not overly hopeful of victory, Chicago fans expected the Maroons to make a better showing than in the opening game of the year with the Michigan Aggies.

Over in Oakland, Tommy Simpson of the Oakland Athletic Commission announced his first ten round affair with "Dynamite" Murphy, Sacramento featherweight, and Johnny Farr, card will be staged January 1.

In San Francisco, the Dreamland Club, made known the plans to stage a six round contest in connection with a number of four round affairs next Friday.

Deatur—A son was born to Mme. Myrna Sharlow.

New York—Neysa McMein, magazine cover artist, became the mother of an 8-1/2 pound girl.

Alton, Ill.—Three aged patients of the State Insane Hospital were burned to death when a frame farm house was destroyed.

San Diego—Robert W. Brown, past Exalted Ruler of the Elks and editor of the Elks National Magazine, died.

Lawrence Kas—Four hundred University of Kansas students held a meeting and protested against the removal of Chancellor Lindley by the state board of arbitration.

Why will the business men or a Commercial Club of a town or city make every effort to locate a new factory within its borders? Simply and solely that the labor of the town and community may be given an opportunity to market its product; that when the local and imported labor is given employment it means that every man having business connections with that town and vicinity will benefit as well as labor. It is a community investment. This labor naturally spends its wages locally—all conditions being favorable. What right, moral or otherwise, has any man to profit thereby, without contributing his share in the investment—that is in

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The WELL-DRESSED MAN

By BEAUNASH

Correct Clothes To Meet The Obligation Of Every Occasion



Your Town Ulster

Precisely why the whirligig of fashion has turned again to the double-breasted, figure-flexing model alike in suits and overcoats is puzzling to explain. It might be ascribed to the same reason why a Pullman sleeper is a place where one cannot sleep or why the discovery of a clam in clam chowder excites surprise. In short, there is no reason about it. The double-breasted, figure-flexing style has vaulted into vogue because, perhaps, it affords a welcome relief from the monotony of the loose-draping, knock-about overcoat of the sporting and Raglan types.

It is all very well for self-appointed fashion arbiters to declare that a man's clothes should drape, rather than fit, but the American's notion of style, unlike the Englishman's, is that a suit or overcoat must set up and set off the figure. This is peculiarly the mission of the double-breasted overgarment. It clings snugly, but not tightly, defining the waistline. Moreover, it is the warmest of coats, because it overlaps in front with two thicknesses of material.

While the double-breasted overcoat is sometimes to be met with a velvet collar, it usually has one of the same material, as pictured in the accompanying sketch. Here you see the 8-button, long-lapel, slim-and-trim military model having a breast pocket, flapped side pockets, set-in sleeves and a rather fullish hang of skirt—44 to 48 inches long—and with a vent in the back, which may be plain or half-belted. This garment is customarily half-lined to lessen the weight. The wide, low-notch collar may be flapped up in a storm.

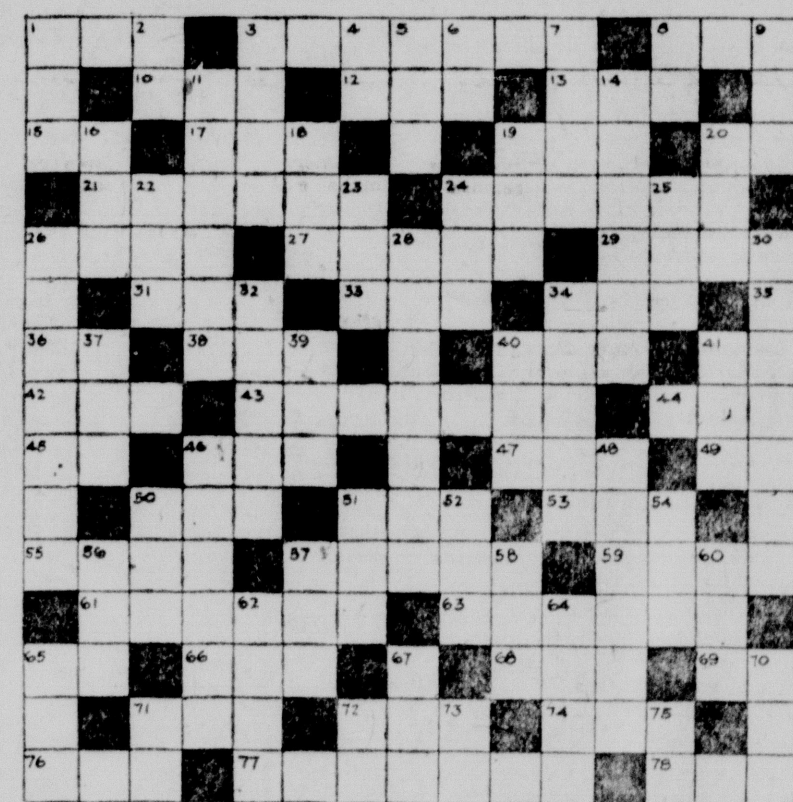
Always wear a light-colored muffler with your dark-colored overcoat. It lends an accent of boldness which is engaging and effective. You may choose stripes, plaids or polka dots, as illustrated, which never come into fashion because they never go out of fashion. Always wear your overcoat buttoned for two reasons. It "sets" properly to the figure and it looks sprucer and trimmer than if left unfastened to flap in the wind.

Colors and materials for your town ulster are not suggested, as these are an affair of personal preference rather than of fixed fashion. None but you and your mirror can decide what particular effect you look best in. Therefore, do not cherish preconceived ideas in favor of this or that shade or weave. Try them on. That's the only way to tell.

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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

You'll find nearly every two or three letter word in the dictionary here. But there are a few longer terms.



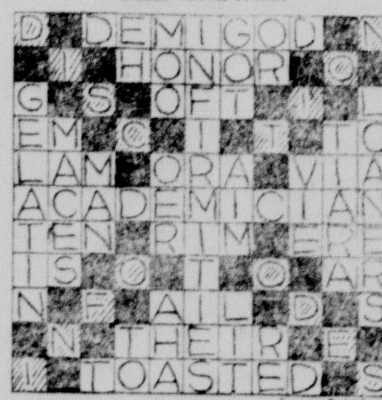
HORIZONTAL

- To bronze.
- A speech.
- Color.
- A paddle.
- Small child.
- Metal in unrefined state.
- White.
- Neckpiece.
- Upon.
- Small bird of prey.
- Older.
- Saturday night abstinence.
- Pried.
- Catches.
- Bring forth young.
- Pure.
- Permit.
- Part of to be.
- Having happened lately.
- Unexploded shell.
- Thus.
- Wager.
- A weed-like plant.
- Make love.
- Half an era.
- Correct a watch.
- Deface.
- Above.
- Part of salutation.
- Perform.
- Vermilion.
- Spill over.
- Images.
- Tallish amphibian.
- A science of duty.
- Race.
- Egyptian sun god.
- Poem.
- Small enclosure.
- Seventh note of the scale.
- Whole.
- Point.
- Era.
- Printer's measure.
- Bears witness to.
- Born.

VERTICAL

- A drink.
- Negative.
- Uttered by the mouth.
- Preparation.
- Part of the foot.
- Pronoun.
- Lunch hour.
- Masculine pronoun.
- An age.
- Sleeping robe or cover.
- Poured.
- Ocean.
- X.
- Place to sleep.
- Sphere.
- Devoiced.
- 2000 pounds.
- Placed.
- Well-known grain.
- Drinkers.
- Eating utensils.
- Emptied with a ladle.
- At no time.
- Pertaining to the moon.
- Even (poetical).
- Damp.
- Not bright.
- French penny.
- Bent tube for drawing liquid from one vessel to another.
- Standing.
- Habitual drunkard.
- Newspaper's chief source of revenue.
- Color.
- Also.
- Meadow.
- Solid water.
- Juice of a tree.
- Small red insect.
- Purpose.
- Drinks.
- Fish eggs.
- Strive for superiority.
- Anger.
- Bone.
- Denotes presence.
- Manuscript.
- Half an era.

THE ANSWER



DAN BARRY'S DAUGHTER

BY MAX BRAND

BEGIN HERE TODAY

Finding the lifeless bodies of his two partners at their gold-mining camp, Harry Gloster fled southward, knowing that he will be accused of the crime. On the way Gloster saves the life of a stranger, Leona, from the hands of the marauding hands of a scoundrel by the name of Joe MacArthur.

"Joe" lives with an old recluse, Ruck Daniels, presumably her father, in a ranch house. One night she slips away and rides to a schoolhouse several miles distant, where a dance is in progress. On the way home she carries on a romantic conversation in the shadowy thickets with the outlawed Harry Gloster and then rides away at a gallop before Gloster can approach her. Gloster goes to the schoolhouse, takes a pretty girl away from her fiancé, John Gainer, and goes off the floor with Gloster, considers ways and means of revenge.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY

The whole room was buzzing with it. The orchestra labored in vain at the animated strains of "Que viva la rumba." For the dancers were laughing at their work and busily exchanging murmurs and glances. On the farther side of the room the half dozen men who had been directly insulted by Gloster had gathered in a close group. And for these John Gainer made. The ground was paved. He had only to drop the seed with a few words.

"What shall I do, boys?" he asked. "Take this for a joke, or go out and tear into that fellow? What's his name? Who is he? Friend of any of you?"

"Slack stranger!" said Bud Lane. "That gent ain't one that works with friends. He plays a lone hand. And if it wasn't for Nell, I'd go out and bust his head wide open for him."

"That's it," nodded Gainer sadly. "I don't want to offend Nell. I dunno what happened. He must've hypnotized her."

"That's what he done. I seen how fast he was talking," put in Lefty. "There ain't any honest man that can talk as fast as he was talking. A gent don't get thoughts that quick."

"I'm going out to have a look at him," declared Gainer.

"I'm coming along," said Bud Lane. "The rest, with a resolute clamor, crowded along, while a hush fell over the dancers and the orchestra increased its pace to rush the place to its close."

Outside passed that little impromptu posse.

"And you, boys," said Gainer, "no guns."

"It's fast!" rumbled Bud Lane. "I don't want a gun. I just want to set my hands on him—"

And he stretched out his big fists. Gainer looked upon him with vast approval. He recalled having seen Bud pull over two strong men in a tug-of-war. He had seen him throw up a three-hundred-pound bale of hay "four high" with the hooks.

And the story of how Bud Lane wrecked Murphy's place when he was short changed there was a tale of Homeric qualities. Every year the story was told and every year it grew a little, perhaps, but the sheriff himself was witness to the final picture of five men piled crosswise in the center of the wreckage on top of them and rolling a cigarette. Gainer remembered that tale, and he moistened his dry lips.

But where were Nell and the stranger?

The "posse" passed to the foot of the steps and went by the sheriff himself.

"We're all right, boys," declared Gainer as they went on. "Sim Hargess passed me the wink. We can go the limit with the big stranger!"

"There they are!" whispered some one.

And to the shocked and astonished

eyes of John Gainer there was revealed the following picture. Beneath a tree not twenty yards away sat Nell and the stranger, brazenly facing toward the moon, and that cruelly clear white light showed them leaning close together—mortally close.

It could not be, and yet it indubitably was true, that the arm of the big man was around Nell, and that her head was back against his shoulder, and that she was faintly smiling up to him with eyes half closed. A sword of fire was struck through the heart of Gainer. The big man leaned. His head of tawny, shaggy hair obscured the face of the girl. He had kissed her!

John Gainer found himself walking alone toward the place. He had covered half the distance before the first swirl of rage abated. And he slackened his pace so that the other might catch up with him. The

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pressing to the fore. "And what's more—"

He proceeded no farther, for he was struck to the earth by something as inescapable as a lightning flash, and lay writhing, unable to move, his arms wrapped around his head, his mouth gasping and his teeth chattering at the air which he could not see. And that had happened to account for this catastrophe had been a slight twitch of the body and shoulder of Gloster.

He now stepped over the prostrate Andrews and faced John Gainer. Gainer did not like fighting because even money cannot avoid wounds. Nevertheless, he was not a coward. And if ever a man had reason to fight well, he had it.

And around Gainer, with a rush, came a hard fighting man. So John Gainer put all his might behind his fists and drove them at the head of the other.

The blows plunged through thinnest air. Harry Gloster had stepped with amazing lightness to the side and now another light dancing step brought him close in. His feet were firm planted, his body loose. Suddenly it contracted. Body and head jerked stiffly halfway round and a bony fist barred against Gainer's

Gainer threw up his arms, left his feet, described a perfect half circle, and landed on the back of his neck, his full length away from the spot where he had stood.

To the honor of the other five, he said that they would never have imposed such odds upon any man, no matter what a villain. But they had no choice. They were assailed by a dodging tornado, so to speak.

They struck at the midst of that bulk, and their fists either bit the air or else glanced from a raised shoulder or brawny arm. And in return they received a machine gun fire of blows which were like the hammer of a double jack against the steel drill head.

When Harry Gloster stepped out of it, two more men were down. And of the other three, two were gaping and wild eyed. Only big Bud Lane had not been touched.

At him drove Harry Gloster, high on his toes with little swift dancing steps so that he seemed to float over the ground. But the other two threw themselves between.

A piston thrust of the left hand and one went down with a gasp. A jerk of the right and stalwart Lefty crashed at the very feet of Bud Lane.

But the battle now had swept to the grip of Bud himself. He was no dancing fighter. He did his best work with the foe inside his arms, and that was where Harry Gloster found himself.

He had not time to strike again. A semi-lab landed on Bud's ribs and felt to him as if he had grazed a projecting knob of granite. But the pain merely made him exert himself, and when he exerted himself he was irresistible.

Gathered in that bear hug, Gloster swayed a moment and then they went down together. It was what Bud wanted. He had wrestled all his life, and on the ground he was perfectly at home. Lying flat on his back he was still as formidable as a mountain lion.

There was a whirlwind activity under Bud Lane. He felt as if he were lying on six small men instead of one big one. And no matter where he reached he could not secure a grip. Suddenly the victim was away. A voice called joyously above Bud: "All right, partner. Another whirl—best time I've had in ten years—"

Bud Lane sat up, dazed and unhappy with wonder, at that moment he saw the sheriff himself step into view with the long and glistening form of a six shooter in his hand.

"Son," he said to Gloster, "you've had a nice little party out here. I figure that maybe I'd better take you to town where you can have a nice little rest! This is after sunset and I sure hate to see a gent working over time."

(To Be Continued)

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Pension Money Scattered

to Far Corners of World

By Associated Press Teamed Wire

Washington—Government pension checks travel to the far corners of the earth, seeking out the more than 500,000 persons who have served the country in the wars that preceded the world war, into every American state, territory, and possession and 63 foreign countries and dominions they went during the last fiscal year, bearing an aggregate value of \$229,594,777.

Pension checks issued during the last year were fewer by 14,217 than the preceding year, going to \$25,539 soldiers, widows and dependents as compared to \$29,756 in 1923. When the pension bureau closed its books June 30 it found an unexpended balance of more than \$23,000,000 of its appropriation. This was turned back to the treasury. The steady shortening of the roll is reflected in the bureau's budget estimate for the new fiscal year, which cuts approximately \$25,000,000 from the total appropriated last year.

Ohio retained its lead as the place of residence of the greatest number of pensioners, with 48,792. Pennsylvania is second with 44,993, and New York third with 41,060. Only 292 pensioners reside in Nevada. There are 56 in Alaska, 617 in the Philippines, and but one in the Virgin Islands.

Canada, with 1,477 American pensioners within her borders, leads all foreign countries. England is next with 256, and Ireland third with 244. Germany is the residence of 229, and Australia 57. Among the countries sheltering but one are Algeria, Bulgaria, Korea, Egypt, Lithuania, Mon-

aco, Jugoslavia, Seychelles Islands, and the Society Islands. There are two in Syria, four in Liberia, six in New Zealand, and seven in South Africa.

The total number of pensioners reached its peak in 1902, when 949,416 names were on the roll, and since that year the figure has declined steadily, with the exception of 1905, when the total rose to within 1,000 of the top.

The government, since the year 1790, has paid out \$6,856,351,293.86 in pensions.

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OVER POPULATION MENACE LIVING STANDARD OF U. S.

Professor of Ohio U. Looks
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Disaster.

By Associated Press Leonard Wire
Chicago, Dec. 23.—Building in sixty years, the population of the world, now 1,700,000,000 is "no mere academic problem," but a matter for serious consideration, Prof. A. B. Wolfe of Ohio State University declared here today at the annual joint convention of the American Economic and the American Statistical Associations.

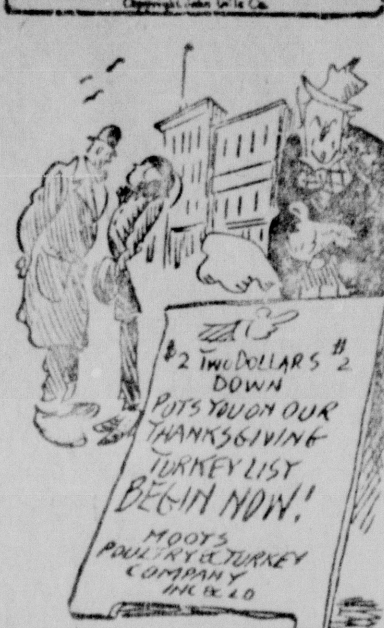
"One diotous century," Prof. Wolfe said, "has doubled the world's population. At the present rate it doubles every sixty years. This would mean at the end of each of the next four centuries respectively, populations of 5, 17, 60, and 121 billions. At its present rate our own population doubles every five decades. Were this rate to continue, persons here present would live to see in this country, a population of 250 million."

"Unless the rate of natural increase is quickly and greatly retarded, reaching the saturation point is a matter of only a few generations, not of thousands of years as is popularly supposed. Disputation over a few score millions in the predicted probable number this country can support is therefore a waste of time. In the absence of an improbable revolutionary improvement in agriculture, we shall soon be confronted with the pointed choice of reducing either our birth rate or our standard of living."

"Fundamentally, the population problem is the problem of securing an efficient numerical proportion between labor power and natural resources."

"Given a fixed supply of natural resources and a fixed technique of production, per capita products must diminish when population increases beyond a certain point. But this law is useful only as a starting point in an analysis of the actual relation between population and resources. Productive technique is not constant but is constantly improving; and our supply of natural resources is not fixed; it is constantly diminishing be-

ABE MARTIN



Whoever wrote "I wish success would come to me" must have been the same fellow who gave out the statement that two could live as cheaply as one. It's just about got so a doctor a day is cheaper'n apples.

cause we are using at a whirlwind rate, supplies which it took the ages to store up.

"Optimists fall into two groups—those who think the earth a great deal larger than it is, and those who believe that 'progress' can miraculously produce vast empty spaces. They do not stop to study the rain map, the temperature chart or contour interval. They have a naive faith in mechanical progress."

"Increasing density of population means a loss of freedom, more intricate and expensive organizations, loss of community self-reliance, and the multiplication of prepotent social controls. And, not to be counted lightly, it means a distinct aesthetic loss, at least to those who do not judge the beauty of a landscape by the number of bushels of corn raised on it, and who still hope that some of our wild life and our wild places may be preserved."

"An optimum policy will obviously require stringent regulation of popu-

lation. This may involve certain international political adjustments. When a country is at or near the optimum, an exclusion policy is justifiable. It is no country's duty to take in the surplus children of another. The only ground on which it could be held to be so would involve a serious change of national sovereignty and a sort of world communism. The end of such a policy would be the reduction of all countries to the standard of living of the lowest. Humanity, in every sense of the term, will be best served if each nation is held responsible for the poverty due to its own sentiments and superstitions."

"This matter needs extended treatment, for it is possible that the wealthier nations may find themselves on the horns of dilemma. Japan and Italy might refuse to join in any plan for international peace which did not involve international control of migration. According to this modification of severity, we might have to lower our bars. Not according to it we should have to give ear to the militaristic nationalists. In either case a rational population policy would be wrecked. There is therefore some cogency in Harold Cox's suggestion for a league of low birth rate nations. It would do no harm to have a few population experts at the next disarmament conference."

"There are powerful influences tending to perpetuate a dangerous rate of increase; influences such as ecclesiastical policy, commercial avarice, and the illusions of nationalism."

"On the other hand there are equally powerful influences which will retard population growth. The whole movement for democracy, the modern woman movement, the universal demand for more worthy standards of living, the growth of rationalism and individualism, forces almost unknown to Malthus because of barely started in his time—are factors which no serious student of the problem may overlook. There is evidence that the workers, even the socialists, no longer regard the Malthusian warning as a mere subterfuge of exploitative capitalists."

Consolidation of Rural Trade Centers is Urged

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Consolidation of rural trade centers into towns with a population of 2,500 or more was advocated today before the social research section of the American Sociological Society today by C. R. Hofer, of the University of Minnesota.

as a means of aiding the rural population in market farm products and in purchasing necessities.

"The farmer is placed in the dilemma of favoring the small villages as a place to market his products, but in purchasing supplies and necessities he is handicapped by the small trading centers," Mr. Hofer said.

"The way out of this dilemma is to consolidate trade centers, having only stores of a type which the community can support. Rural schools and churches have been consolidated and the time is here when business must be consolidated for the benefit of each farmer and merchant."

"A survey of numerous communities in Minnesota indicates that stores which handle staple commodities such as drugs, groceries and hardware tend to increase with population. Jewelry stores, furniture stores and ladies ready-to-wear stores do not increase in number in proportion to population but rather the size of the stores increases."

"Towns of less than 500 in population will not average one drug store

per town. Similar comparisons were found in the small villages in stores selling other articles. Professional services—work of doctors and dentists—also is at a minimum in small centers. In Minnesota it is not until 2,500 population is reached that a community is assured of dental services. In the case of the physician it is different, many communities of less than 1,000 population on often have physicians. Community centers and civic organizations are also lacking in the smaller centers."

"The great waste of small competing trade centers occurs when they try to give the same type of service as given in the larger trading centers. When small towns work for efficiency and quality of service they can support, rather than place the emphasis on types of service which can be given more efficiently by larger towns, they will supplement, not duplicate the service given by consolidated trade centers."

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